

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Jeffrey Jordan

v.

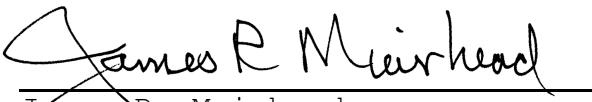
Civil No. 06-cv-222-PB

Verizon Services Corp.

**ORDER**

Re: Document No. 6, Defendant Verizon's Motion to Extend Date For Filing Its Response To Petitioner's Petition To Appeal Decision Of Finding Of Non Willful Non-Payment Of Vacation Pay

Ruling: GRANTED. While defendant's allegation of excusable neglect is at best marginal, this court has a strong bias toward determination of matters on the merits where, as here, there is clearly no prejudice to the nonmoving party. The Clerk should also mark the Motion for Default "moot".

  
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James R. Muirhead  
U.S. Magistrate Judge

Date: July 24, 2006

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